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Re: Cibicides Carstensi E Sand, Reservoir A
Golden Meadow Field
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Welsh:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **APACHE CORPORATION** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Cibicides Carstensi E Sand, Reservoir A, in the Golden Meadow Field, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cibicides Carstensi E Sand, Reservoir A, in the Golden Meadow Field, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana, said unit to be designated CIB CARST E RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To designate Apache Corporation as operator of the proposed unit.
4. To designate the Apache Corporation – Laterre Co. Inc. No. 301 Well as unit well for the proposed unit.
5. To provide that any future wells drilled to the proposed Cib Carst E Sand, Reservoir A, should be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).

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6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify said zone and reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir changes and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

7. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The Cibicides Carstensi E Sand, Reservoir A, in the Golden Meadow Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 15,004 feet and 15,144 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Apache Corporation – Laterre Co., Inc. No. 301 Well, located in Section 9, Township 20 South, Range 21 East, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana.

Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Mr. Bill Dale of W. H. Robbins & Associates, LLC., 302 La Rue France, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, Telephone Number (337) 232-5004.

Pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held on February 2, 2005, in Lafayette, Louisiana, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. The conference was opened by representatives of the applicant who explained the bases for the unit proposal. Mr. Charles Smith, representing Lafourche Parish School Board, presented a counterplan with a slightly different treatment of the southern boundary. The conference was then adjourned. After further consideration of the counterplan, Apache Corporation is agreeable to the make the minor change suggested by the school board and has therefore revised its original unit proposal as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof. We are not aware of any remaining opposition.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat, along with the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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Attachments

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, Lafayette District Office of Conservation
cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties

